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Docket No. 515-4181

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Giovanni Abatangelo et al.) Group Art Unit: 1633
) Examiner: Stroup, C.
Serial No.: 09/445,604)
Filed: December 7, 1999)

For: BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL COMPRISING AN EFFICACIOUS CELL
CULTURE OF A BIOCOMPATIBLE AND BIODEGRADABLE THREE-DIMENSIONAL
MATRIX CONSISTING OF A HYALURONIC ACID DERIVATIVE

New York, NY 10036
April 23, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action that was mailed October 23, 2003. Kindly amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claims 122-161.

Kindly add the following claims:

162. (new) A biological material comprising:

a) at least one autologous or homologous cellular line selected from the group consisting of endothelial cells, glandular cells, skin adnexa and germinative cells of hair bulbs,
b) a biocompatible three-dimensional matrix, on which said cellular line is seeded and grown, said matrix comprising a